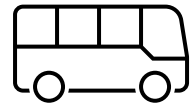
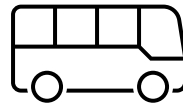
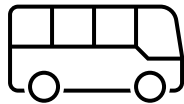
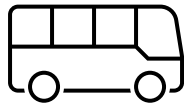
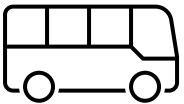




Principal's Thoughts

Each year, teachers plan amazing field trips for their classes. Field trips offer students a wonderful opportunity, outside the classroom setting, to extend their understanding of the curriculum. All trips must be tied to at least one California State Standard and both pre and post activities must support the learning objectives. Teachers also have the option to book in-house speakers that bring novel experiences to our campus. All students benefit!

Our annual Wheel-a-thon's sole purpose is to raise funds for these experiences. What is raised during this event sets the budget for the year; we do not ask parents to give money during the year. To help ensure the children's safety we use charter buses for most of our trips that adds a minimum cost of \$1,000/trip. Many of the sites also charge an admission fee so it is safe to state that most field trips cost approximately \$50/child. I share this as you support our Wheel-a-thon event. Whether your child rides or participates by cheering on their classmates, pledges should be collected by each student as no child is denied the experience of a field trip. Should a balance remain at the end of the year, please know these funds follow the class. Thank you in advance for supporting the WAT!!



Education in Virtue

Weekly Virtue: *Obedience* (related to the virtue of Justice)

Definition: Assenting to rightful authority without hesitation or resistance.

Looks Like: Listen; follow directions the first time they are given and without complaint.

Saint of Note: St. Matthew - Feast Day September 21

Prayer: Dear Jesus: You are God, and yet You were obedient to Mary and Joseph. Help me to do all that my parents and teachers ask of me-promptly, joyfully, and completely. This virtue pleases You more than all other sacrifices!

St. Agnes School Mission Statement

St. Agnes School, in partnership with the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.

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- **Back-to-School Social Olympics!**

- PACE invites you to a night of family fun THIS Friday, September 18th on the field next to the Big Toy. Bring your own dinner, a competitive spirit as you watch classes compete in our very own Olympics!
- A flyer with details has been placed in your envelope today. See you there!

- **Red Zone Alert!**

- Our driveways have a red curb painted on each side. Please remember, this is a no parking zone to enhance visibility for those pulling out of the driveways.
- For the safety of the children, please find an alternative space. You don't want to be ticketed.

- **Entering & Exiting Campus**

- The driveway next to the Ministry Center is very tight and should only be used for cars exiting the property.
- **Please do not walk in this driveway, we have had some close calls.**
- Please use the driveway near the Chapel and walk to the statue of Mary so you can use the crosswalk or when exiting use the reverse route.

- **Altar Servers Needed**

- Any student who has received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist is eligible to become an altar server!
- Only one, 2-hour training is required. A flyer with various training dates can be found in your envelope today.
- Every effort is made to assign students to the Mass their family usually attends.
- We can't wait to welcome new children to this ministry!

- **PARTY!**

- You are invited to attend the Oktoberfest Family Dinner on Saturday, October 3rd in the church hall immediately following the 5pm Mass.
- A traditional German meal will be served with Mac & Cheese for the children.
- A flyer with all the details on how to purchase tickets has been included in your envelope.

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TIME SENSITIVE

- **Calling Junior High Students**

- The Little Vinnies Helpers first meeting is this Thursday, September 17th from 3:15-4:10 in the Ministry Center.

- **Scrip Statement**

- A statement reflecting your scrip activity from May 1-September 7 was sent home last week. Please note that your goal is calculated on the profit generated and not the amount of scrip purchased.

Community News

- **Pedal Fest!**

- The mayor of Concord has invited you to the 2026 Concord Pedal Fest on Sunday, September 27 from 10am-2pm at Baldwin Park.
- Demonstrations, food trucks, games and a bike trade will be available.
- A flyer with all the details has been posted on our website.

WAT: Ride, Raise, Win!

Friday, September 25th

Permission Slips are Past Due

- Students must have a signed permission slip in order to ride in the WAT. One form per child, was recently sent home and is posted on our website.

Did You Forget?

- All students, either riding or not, need to turn in their \$5.00 contribution. Snacks will be provided to ALL children during the WAT.

Gather Those Pledges

- Be sure to share your fundraising page with family and friends. PLEASE let you people know to write your student's PledgeStar number on any checks coming to the school office.

Schoolwide Learning Expectation 1.4: A faith centered person living the Gospel message who is able to practice forgiveness.

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- **HELP! LAST Chance!**

- We have chairs for the Father Daughter Dance! Thank you, kinder moms!
- A few events still have no one to coordinate them! Can you help?
- Gather a friend or two to ensure the following events become a reality:
 - 60th Anniversary-Preparing for the 2027-2028 school year
 - Talent Show-Feb. 5th
 - Mother-Son Event – Feb. 27th
- Please call the office if you are able to help!

- **Don't Forget**

- Check out the St. Agnes Spirit Store! A tab can be found on our website in the quick links section.
- The Tuesday Spirit T-shirt will be available on the site all year long in case you need a replacement!

	IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS
9/17	• Scrip Sold 9-11AM
9/18	• 8:15AM Mass (6th Gr. Formal Uniform) • Back to School Olympics 5:30PM
9/19	• Work Party 9AM-1PM
9/20	• Children's Liturgy 9AM Mass (Kinders & 8th Gr. hosting.) All are Welcome! • 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time Mt. 20:1-16a
9/21	• Development Committee Meeting 7:00PM Ministry Center
9/22	• Spirit T-Shirt Tuesday